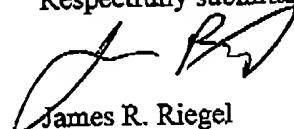


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Claims 17-53 are pending in this application. Claims 17, 22, 28-30, 36, 37, 42, 43, and 50-53 have been changed by this amendment to clarify the invention. Applicant reserves the right to reintroduce claims of comparable scope to the original claims in a continuation or other related application.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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